

# HEAR for Kids



## Loaner aids

- No income eligibility requirements
- Standard loan is up to 6 months
- Longer loans for exceptional circumstances (such as cochlear implant trial)
- Loan requests are made online at earfoundationaz.com by the audiologist
- Youngest children first if there is a shortage
- Hearing aids are almost all digital and include BAHA, Bone conduction, AVR and others
- Participating audiologists donate their services

## Vouchers

- See financial eligibility table below
- Legal residency status is not an issue
- Families who are enrolled in AHCCCS, KidsCare do not qualify
- Families eligible but still working on enrollment in AHCCCS or KidsCare may qualify
- Insured families may qualify if their insurance does not cover hearing
- Exceptions can be made for unusual circumstances especially if a child is "stuck"
- Vouchers cover behavioral, sedated or unsedated ABR, medical clearance for hearing aid
- Not for monitoring ongoing otitis media

## Permanent Hearing Aids

- Same financial eligibility as the vouchers
- The managing audiologist chooses the most appropriate hearing aid for the child
- Colors and swirls are routinely approved
- Youngest children first if there is a shortage of money

### **Income**

Total Household income for the past 12 months: \$\_\_\_\_\_

*Include: Wages/salary, Pension, Social Security, Child Support and any other income.*

### **Expenses**

Number of family members living in the household: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Allowed Deductions for the past 12 months: \$\_\_\_\_\_

*Include: Total medical/dental not paid for by health insurance or third party, Annual rent or mortgage payment, Annual payments for primary vehicle, Dependent Care. For dependant care, use the following calculations:*

*Number of children in childcare \_\_\_\_\_ x \$200 x number of months \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_*

*Number of incapacitated adults receiving care \_\_\_\_\_ x \$100 x number of months \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_*

**Determine eligibility by subtracting the amount in the Expenses section from the amount in the Income section and reviewing the following chart (based on 150% of federal poverty, current as of 5/05)**

<i>Number in Family</i>	<i>Annual Income</i>	<i>Number in Family</i>	<i>Annual Income</i>	<i>Number in Family</i>	<i>Annual Income</i>
1	\$14,355	3	\$24,135	5	\$33,915
2	\$19,245	4	\$29,025	6	\$38,805

*For each additional person, add \$4,890*

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**Applications can be found at [http://earfoundationaz.com/page\\_010\\_005.html](http://earfoundationaz.com/page_010_005.html)**